

Remarks

The Office Action of April 6, 2007 suggests that the application contains claims directed towards four patentably distinct inventions. In particular, the Office Action suggests the following Groups as representing patentably distinct inventions:

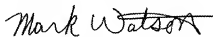
- "Group I" as claimed by claims 1-3
- "Group II" as claimed by claims 4-6
- "Group III" as claimed by claims 7-9 and 16-18
- "Group IV" as claimed by claims 10-15 and 19-22

The Office Action requires election of a single disclosed Group and a listing of all claims readable thereon.

Therefore, in response to the aforementioned election requirement, Applicants provisionally elect "Group III", comprising claims 7-9 and 16-18, for prosecution at this time. The claims drawn towards Group I, Group II, and Group IV, have been withdrawn by the above amendment.

Additionally, in an effort to further the prosecution of the subject application, the Applicant kindly invites the Examiner to telephone the Applicant's attorney at (805) 278-8855 if the Examiner has any additional questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,



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